I would like to notify you of my view on the issue of cell phone users being able to retain their phone number when changing carriers. If one has had the same number for several years, it has been disseminated to friends, business associates and spread beyond that in ways the user may not even know about. To change numbers creates a sizeable task of notifying all the people one considers essential, and then those that may not be essential but do have a 'need to know', and so on. Please, please allow the transfer of one's phone number to be consistent across different carriers. Thank you.